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## **Lac La Belle, MI**

### **Harbor Features**

- Located in the northeastern tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula off the shore of Lake Superior. It is about 40 miles northeast of Houghton, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act 2 Mar 1945.
- Shallow draft recreational harbor.
- Project depth is 10 feet, 12 feet in the entrance channel.
- Approximately 4,500 feet of Federal channel.
- 1,000 feet of north and south breakwater.
- Major stakeholders include local tourism businesses, marina.

### **Project Needs**

- Condition survey was completed in 2006, resulting in a notice to mariners due to shoaling.
- Requires maintenance dredging of approximately 7,000 cubic yards every 5 years. Dredging Operations in this harbor began in 2008.
- Navigation structures maintained by Government floating plant.



### **Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project**

- Loss of jobs locally.
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area.

### **Transportation Importance**

- This harbor serves as a harbor of refuge.
- Recreational and charter fishing interests.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2008, 2009 and 2010  
Lac La Belle, MI - Project Needs and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY08 Need</b>	<b>FY08 Allocation</b>	<b>FY09 Need</b>	<b>FY09 President's Budget</b>	<b>FY10 Need</b>	<b>FY10 Budget*</b>
Project Condition Surveys	24		24		25	
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	160		210		220	
North Pier Repair – by Govt Floating Plant					235	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>480</b>	

\*FY10 President's Budget will be available in February 2009.

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Bart Stupak D-MI-1
- Senator Carl Levin D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI